



## **CIC | District of Columbia Corrections Information Council**

For Immediate Release

Re: Fairview Residential Reentry Center (RRC) Visit on November 20, 2020

CIC Board Chairman Charles Thornton completed a walkthrough of Fairview Residential Reentry Center on November 20, 2020. The goal was to address recent complaints related to images that had been circulating, which displayed improperly working bathrooms and damaged infrastructure. Chairman Thornton spoke to Director McCoy, and was escorted throughout the facility to view the concerns.

He was escorted to the women's bathroom, which displayed a "Shower Out of Order" sign. The third bathroom stall inside of that bathroom was not functioning, due to an overflow. The overflow leaked through the floor and into the drywall below, which caused the ceiling of the dining room area below to collapse. The water in this bathroom had been shut off to prevent further leakage, and the ceiling below had been reinforced with plastic. Director McCoy had already received an estimate to repair the ceiling, but was waiting for another estimate, and assured that the work would be completed by next week.

BOP guidelines require one operable toilet for every eight residents, and there were two operable toilets. At the time of the walkthrough, there were six ladies on the roster staying inside of the facility. The ratio of rest rooms to individuals complies with BOP contract guidelines for residential reentry centers.